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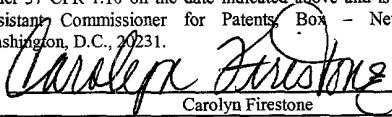
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicant submits the following preliminary amendment to the present application which is filed concurrently herewith:

In the Specification:

Directly after the title of the invention, please insert the following:

--Cross-Reference to Related Application

This application is related to U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/241,095 titled "E-Mail Messaging Systems and Methods", filed October 17, 2000, co-pending herewith and which is hereby incorporated herein by this reference. --

Respectfully submitted,

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